

AMENDMENT

Applicants hereby amend the application in the following manner in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121:

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by deleting the entire "Abstract of the Invention" and the title "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ENERGY" appearing above it (all of the paragraphs and lines appearing on page 322 and page 323 of the application), and replacing the deleted material with the rewritten "Abstract of the Invention" set forth below, which has been marked up in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 to show all of the changes relative to the previous version of the "Abstract of the Invention" using underlining to show added subject matter and strike-through to show deleted subject matter. Applicant submits that no new matter is being introduced into the application by this amendment. Support for all subject matter being added to the "Abstract of the Invention" is present in the originally filed "Abstract of the Invention," or on page 1, second paragraph, of the application.

**~~--METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ENERGY~~**

Abstract of the Invention

The ~~present~~ invention provides processes and apparatuses for safely, rapidly, cost-effectively and efficiently producing a superheated steam product or dry saturated steam product that can be employed to generate electrical power, or in other manufacturing and/or non-manufacturing processes, in an environmentally clean manner without causing corrosion to ~~turbines or similar~~ electrical power-generating devices. These processes and apparatuses involve the combustion of one or more fuels containing the ~~element hydrogen, the element carbon or the elements hydrogen and/or carbon,~~ which can be derived from waste materials, such as the rubber from scrap tires, ~~discarded carpet, used plastic milk, soda or water bottles, or Styrofoam coffee cups, in two or more~~